

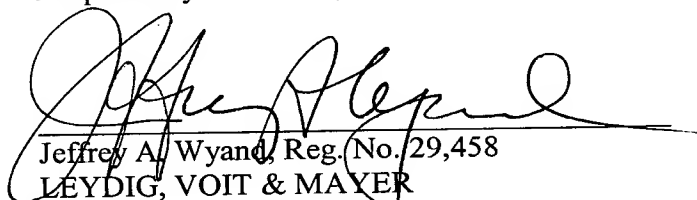
and Figure 7 shows a fan mounted on a bracket that is mountable to a heatsink. Whether these depictions are species depends upon what is claimed in the patent application.

A similar allegation is made with respect to "attaching clip arrangements", referring to Figures 12 and 13. No claim claims a clip. Reference is made to a clip in some claims, for example, in claim 1, but without including a clip as a claimed element.

Finally, the Examiner asserted that there are three species of "assembly means", rivets, screw fasteners, or brazing. Applicant agrees that there are references to rivets in the patent application and that rivets are indicated in Figure 15. No figure shows screw fasteners. The use of brazing is apparently an invention by the Examiner since there is no reference to brazing in the patent application. What is claimed with regard to this element is "means for binding". The claims do not specify specific embodiments of the means for binding so that there is no basis for asserting that there are three different species of "assembly means" in view of the claimed subject matter. p. 9
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In summary, Applicant traverses not only the species election requirement but the entire procedure and requests reconsideration and withdrawal of or reformulation of the restriction requirement. Alternately, Applicant requests examination of at least claims 1-8 as directed to a single inventive concept that can be the subject of a conventional search.

Respectfully submitted,


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